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ROYAL BAKING POWDER

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In the local option election which was held in Marshall county last week the county went dry by a good majority.

COL. W. A. MONTGOMERY has withdrawn from the race for congress in the eighth district, leaving Hooker, Williams and Henry to fight it out.

GIRLS may be awkward in sharpening lead pencils and throwing stones, but some of them have the masculine sex "skinned a block" when it comes to an exhibition of grace and skill in climbing a fence.

JUSTICE GRAY, of the United States supreme court, has resigned on account of ill health, and President Roosevelt has appointed Hon. Oliver Wendell Holmes, chief justice of the supreme court of Massachusetts, to fill the vacancy. Justice Gray is 74 years old and some months ago he suffered a stroke of apoplexy, which has incapacitated him for duty ever since.

HUBERT A. SHANDS, son of former Lieut. Gov. G. D. Shands, who during the past year has been a student at the University of Halle-Wurtemberg, Germany, has stood successfully the examination for the degree of Doctor of Philosophy, and was given the degree magna cum laude. This, considering the fact that Dr. Shands has been in Germany only one year, is a most unusual achievement, and reflects great credit, both upon him and upon the University of Mississippi, where he studied for six years, preparing himself to go abroad.

Mr. C. W. Shedd, whose health for several months past has been very poor, left last night for Nashville, where he will enter an infirmary. Mr. Shedd recently sold his residence in south Columbus to the Mississippi Cotton Oil Co., and during his absence his wife will occupy rooms over Mr. T. C. Cady's store on Main street, having as a companion her sister, Mrs. W. C. Nickels, of Caledonia.

WE notice from the Eayette (Ala.) Banner that Mr. W. Austin Crown is announced as a candidate for Superintendent of Education for that county and we trust that the voters will appreciate him at his full worth and give him their support. He is a young man of unusual ability and the highest integrity and he would be an honor to that or any other office in the gift of his people. If our good wishes would elect him he would have the office now and we believe the people who want the best man for the place will give him a rousing vote.

THE British trade commissioners who have been investigating trade conditions in South Africa will report that the trusts rule the country and that the conditions are far more serious than any one imagines. The difference between South Africa and the United States is that the imagination is not necessary in the latter country. The people here are confronted with the proposition so boldly and forcibly that we can taste the trusts in everything we eat, drink and wear.

THE republicans of California have a bitter factional fight which, from the present outlook, seems calculated to disrupt the party in that state. The fight is between the Spreckles crowd and Governor Gage for the control of the political machine. Governor Gage had Spreckles arrested on a charge of criminal libel, and Spreckles retaliated by swearing out a warrant against the governor because of a signed statement wherein the governor referred to Spreckles' paper, The Call, as a "libelous sheet," and declared

that it had admitted that the attacks upon him were printed with the object of defeating him in the primaries. A fight or two like this in every republican state in the Union will insure a democratic president, it matters not whether "free silver," trusts or the tariff—"any one or both"—are the issues. Let the good work go on.

In the death of Major John M. Billups, a notice of which appears elsewhere in this issue, the city of Columbus loses one of her best and most honored citizens, the Methodist church its most faithful, conscientious and devout member, and the whole people are deprived of a friend, loyal and true. He was one of God's noblemen, whose beneficent influence will live through ages to come. His was a life well spent, and there is no doubt that, if there are any degrees of blessings in heaven, he will be permitted to enjoy the richest and fullest of them. This writer feels deeply the great loss he has sustained in the death of Major Billups, but can only imagine how much more so it is felt by those who have known him longer, and who have been more closely associated with him. His life was in every way worthy of emulation, and may well be pointed to by the parent as a standard in the training of her children. We sorrow with his beloved ones in the great loss which they—and we all—have sustained, but we take comfort in the knowledge that the record which he leaves behind is a legacy, rich and lasting, and not surpassed in beauty and strength by anything this side of heaven.

WRECK AT STEENS.

A rather disastrous accident occurred on the Southern railway at Steens early last Sunday, when west-bound freight train No. 73, due to arrive in this city at 7 o'clock a. m., was completely wrecked, and the forty odd cars, of which the train was composed, were piled helter skelter on top of each other, blocking the road for eighteen hours, and holding out passenger trains Nos. 35 and 38 for a considerable length of time.

The train was in charge of Conductor Seagle and Engineer Griffith, and the cause of the wreck remains a mystery.

Belgian Hares for Sale.

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A rare chance to buy a nice home if taken advantage of in the next 30 days. I will sell my house and lot, situated in southwest Columbus, the prettiest part of town, at a bargain. House contains 6 rooms, fine well of the best water in the city, splendid garden and out houses; being situated in that part of town, will sell or rent for a fancy price. The manufacturing enterprises located near, his property will always make it valuable. See me at once. I am going to sell.

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What State Governors Say of Osteopathy.

We give the opinion of several State Governors on Osteopathy: Gov. Benton McMillin, of Tennessee: "It is one of the greatest discoveries of the time."

From Gov. Robert L. Taylor, of Tennessee: "When a century later historians are sifting the events of this time for the epoch-making discoveries of science and civilization there will be few chapters more important, I think, than that devoted to the reformation in medicine which will have to come about through the acceptance and practice of Dr. Still's system, known as Osteopathy."

Ex-Gov. Josiah Grotte, of Vermont, on signing the bill for Osteopathy: "Osteopathy has been tried by the leading men and women of the State, and they all testify to its merits. We will give it a chance." He has never regretted signing the bill.

Gov. Lon V. Stevens, of Missouri: "The bill was introduced and passed both houses by an overwhelming majority. The science of Osteopathy, so far as it comes under my observation, assists in relieving suffering humanity, and I do not think I erred in signing the bill."

Gov. T. A. Briggs, of North Dakota: "Osteopathy has helped me. It has also done good in my family and will hurt no one. I will sign it."

Ex-Gov. H. S. Pingree, of Michigan: "Osteopathy is a science entitled to all respect and confidence as a distinct advancement in medicine. I know it is doing a vast amount of good in relieving suffering and deformity."

Gov. L. M. Shaw, of Iowa: "I am fully convinced that Osteopathy is a rational system of healing."

Gov. A. E. Lee, of South Dakota: "Osteopathic bills have been passed in several states and, from a careful investigation of the claims of the system, I believe its practitioners are entitled to the protection of our laws."

Ex-Gov. John P. Algeld, of Illinois: "When prescriptions and drugs were as ineffectual as empty words, it came to the rescue of myself and Mrs. Algeld and did that which other things had failed to do. Honor those to whom honor is due."

Gov. John R. Tanner, of Illinois: "The State Medical Board has been fighting the Osteopaths long enough. There is no doubt in my mind that Osteopathy will reach and cure many chronic troubles that medicine would have little or no effect upon."

Gov. Edwin C. Smith, of Vermont, is an ardent admirer of Osteopathy. Says he: "My experience with Osteopathy has been very gratifying. It should be legalized by every state in the Union."

Ex-Gov. William P. Dillingham, of Vermont, was an active advocate of legislative action: "I have employed practitioners of that school," said he, "to treat members of my family, and have been particularly pleased with the results. I firmly believe that this practice is based on scientific principles and is an advance in medical science."

Judge C. C. Cole, Ex-Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Iowa: "Osteopathy is not the practice of medicine, but an absolutely safe system of treating ailments by certain manipulations, stimulating the system of the body to its normal condition. We need not the statutes to protect us against Osteopathy as against the dangers to which we are exposed in the use of medicines. The day is coming when the practice of Osteopathy will not only gain legal recognition, but will be considered as one of the greatest achievements of the nineteenth century."

Among other converts to Osteopathy are Mark Twain, Opie Read, Governor Odell, Senator T. C. Platt, and many others prominent in state and national affairs.

Osteopathic Notes.

The source of health is within us, not without.

The cures resulting from Osteopathic treatment are permanent and lasting, because they have an immovable basis in nature itself.

Osteopathic treatment, if taken in a timely and proper manner, is both prophylaxis and therapy—its one is the prevention and the other to the cure of disease.

Opie Read, the distinguished author, "physically regenerated" by it, says: "It is worth all the curative waters in the world. It is almost instant freedom from weariness. It is the Champagne of Nature. I honestly believe it to be one of the most wonderful discoveries of any age."

Dr. E. H. Pratt, the well-

known official surgeon of Chicago, says: "Osteopathy must rank as one of the most important measures known for the relief of all forms of chronic ailments. In obstetrics it is winning quite a reputation for enabling women to bear their children with less pain, less frequent lacerations, and with less hemorrhage than without its aid. In eye and ear and throat work it has accomplished some wonderful things."

Drs. Riley

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THE CITY COUNCIL.

The city council held a meeting last Monday night for the express purpose of passing on the monthly bills, which, on account of the pressure of more important business, were not disposed of at either of the meetings which were held earlier in the month. The entire evening was taken up in auditing and allowing these accounts, and after authorizing Treasurer Waddell to pay out a goodly number of simoleons for various and sundry purposes, the meeting adjourned.

There will be another meeting of the council tonight, at which bids for the construction of the new public school building which is to be erected will be received and considered.

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DEATH OF MAJ. J. M. BILLUPS.

The worst fears of the countless friends of Maj. Jno. M. Billups, who for many days past have been made uneasy by the gravity of his condition, have been realized, and the great and noble man who for so many years has been a prominent figure in the financial, commercial and religious circles of the city is no more. Surrounded by a circle of loving relatives and devoted friends, his soul released itself from the pain-ridden body last Monday afternoon and passed to its final resting place beyond the silent river, where all who serve Him and keep His commandments find everlasting life.

In Major Billups was exemplified the purest type of southern manhood, brave, noble, honest and true, he was a man loved by all who knew him personally, and revered and respected by all who had business dealings with him. In the financial circles of the city he was most prominent, having for thirty years past held the office of president of the Columbus Insurance and Banking Co., one of the strongest banking institutions in the state. While an able financier and possessed rare business acumen, he was, at the same time, very liberal in his dealings with others, and was one of those noble, pure-minded men who never allowed the desire of wealth to outweigh his feelings of kindness and brotherly love for his fellow men. In the religious circles of the city Major Billups was as conspicuous as he was among men of finance, having been for many years a member of the board of stewards of the First Methodist church. He was active in church and Sunday school work of every kind, and many men who have grown up to lead useful and honorable lives are indebted to Major Billups for the knowledge of the Bible which he so patiently imparted to them, and for the splendid example for emulation which his own blameless life offered.

Major Billups was a native of Georgia, having been the son of Col. Thomas Carlton Billups, who was known throughout the length and breadth of the state as one of its bravest and most patriotic citizens. He was born in Oglethorpe county in that state seventy-eight years ago, but came to Columbus when a youth, and during his long residence here has always

taken the lead in every movement which had a tendency to advance the welfare of the city. He has always led a busy life, and even as old age crept upon him steadfastly refused to give up the reins to other hands, but was active and energetic to the last, personally supervising not only the affairs of his own estate, but looking after the interests of a number of relatives as well.

During the civil war Major Billups made a brave and gallant soldier, serving with distinction throughout the entire conflict as Major of the Forty-third Mississippi regiment. Returning to Columbus at the close of the war he resumed his place in the business circles of the city, and led a strenuous, useful life, a life whose end brings sorrow to the hearts of strong men, who found in him a true and sincere friend in time of need, and tears to the eyes of widows and orphans, who have been the recipients of his valuable advice and friendly aid.

The funeral services were held at the First Methodist church at four o'clock Tuesday afternoon, being conducted by Rev. T. W. Lewis and Rev. J. W. Dorman. The services were attended by a large concourse of sorrowing relatives and friends, and at their conclusion the remains were interred in Friendship cemetery, the following gentlemen acting as pallbearers: Col. C. L. Lincoln, Gen. E. T. Sykes, Mr. Gid. D. Harris, Capt. D. S. McClanahan, Hon. T. B. Franklin, Col. J. O. Banks, Judge J. A. Orr and Capt. Wm. Winston.

Very Low Rates to Mountain and Seashore Resorts via Southern Railway.

On August 16th, 1902, the Southern Railway will sell round trip tickets at greatly reduced rates from Columbus, Miss., to the following named points: Asheville and Hot Springs, N. C. \$12-50. Old Point, Virginia Beach, Ocean View, and Hot Springs, Va., \$18-00 and Roanoke, Va., \$16-45. Tickets will be good to return August 31st, 1902.

For particulars apply to Southern Railway agent or address.

Frank B. Jones, Traveling Passenger Agent, John C. Lewis, District Passenger Agent, Birmingham, Ala.

National Encampment G. A. R. Washington D. C. October 6-11, 1902.

For the occasion of National Encampment of G. A. R. Washington D. C. October 6th-11th, Southern Railway will sell tickets to Washington D. C. and return at extremely low rates, October 3rd-14th-5th and 6th, final limit for return October 15th, 1902. By depositing ticket with Joint Agent, Washington before noon October 15th, and on payment of fee of 50c, an extension of final limit until November 3rd, 1902 may be obtained.

For further information call on any Southern railway ticket agent.

University of Mississippi.

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Home-Seekers Excursion Rates to Texas and Oklahoma Points via Queen & Crescent Route.

Round trip Home-Seekers rates to all points in Texas; also to a number of points in Oklahoma and Indian Territories at greatly reduced rates via Queen and Crescent Route. Tickets will be sold only from Meridian, Miss. Dates of sale Aug. 5th and 19th, Sept. 2nd and 16th, Oct. 7th and 21st, 1902, limited 21 days from date of sale.

For particulars, call upon or address J. S. Gray, ticket agent, Meridian, Miss., or R. W. Bonds, T. P. A., Meridian, Miss.

Summer Tourists Tickets Via Queen and Crescent Route.

Round trip summer tourists tickets to the principal summer resorts on sale via Q. & C. route from June 1st to Sept. 30, 1902, limited to Oct. 31, 1902.

For information regarding rates, etc., address nearest Q. & C. ticket agent.

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